

TECHNOLOGYPROFILE

Scleriva™

Scleriva centres on *Coniothyrium minitans* CON/M/91-08 and the persistent soil reservoir behind Sclerotinia disease. Sclerotia are survival structures that can carry infection risk between crops. This fungal biological approach focuses on those structures, making the condition of the soil and the history of susceptible crops central to its role.

1 Product identification

Field	Detail
Product name	Scleriva™
Category	Biological crop protection
Principal components	<i>Coniothyrium minitans</i> CON/M/91-08
Target crops	Lettuce · Tomato · Pepper · Cucumber · Soybean · Common bean
Agricultural purpose	Sclerotinia soil inoculum

2 Product role and biological basis

The persistent source of disease

Sclerotia maintain a reservoir of Sclerotinia in soil between susceptible crops. Focusing on this reservoir connects current soil health with the risk of disease in the crop sequence.

A specific fungal interaction

C. minitans interacts with Sclerotinia survival structures. CON/M/91-08 provides a defined strain identity for this biological relationship and its soil-disease-management role.

A crop-sequence perspective

Lettuce, susceptible fruiting vegetables, soybean and snap beans provide relevant crop settings. Disease history and the succession of susceptible crops help describe the importance of the soil reservoir.

3 Composition and material characteristics

Coniothyrium minitans CON/M/91-08

CON/M/91-08 identifies a strain of *Coniothyrium minitans* associated with Sclerotinia soil management. Its biological interaction with fungal survival structures provides the scientific basis for focusing on the persistent source of infection.

Water-dispersible granule

CON/M/91-08 is documented in water-dispersible-granule formulations. The organism, its biological activity and the physical properties of the granule are distinct elements of the technical composition and quality description.

4 Biological targets and application evidence

1. Canada • crop-specific specimen-label evidence

The specimen label uses suppression for lettuce, tomato, pepper and snap beans against *S. sclerotiorum* and/or *S. minor*, and for soybean against *S. sclerotiorum*.

Agricultural relevance

Establishes the Canadian crop and target scope for CON/M/91-08, with suppression as the stated outcome.

Canadian specimen label — CON/M/91-08 crop scope

2. United States • soil reduction/control specimen claim

The United States reference describes reduction/control of *S. sclerotiorum* and *S. minor* in soil and lists cucumber among susceptible crop uses.

Agricultural relevance

Provides a United States cucumber context for the soil reduction/control role of CON/M/91-08.

United States specimen label — CON/M/91-08 soil claim

5 Crop programmes and application context

The Canadian CON/M/91-08 label covers suppression of *S. sclerotiorum* and/or *S. minor* in lettuce, tomato, pepper and snap beans, and suppression of *S. sclerotiorum* in soybean. The United States label includes cucumber under reduction/control of the two *Sclerotinia* species in soil.

Lettuce and fruiting vegetables

Canadian labelling describes suppression of *S. sclerotiorum* and/or *S. minor* for lettuce, tomato and pepper. United States labelling includes cucumber in the soil reduction/control uses. Across these settings, the common biological focus is the *Sclerotinia* reservoir associated with susceptible crops.

Soybean and snap bean

The Canadian label describes suppression of *S. sclerotiorum* in soybean and suppression of *S. sclerotiorum* and/or *S. minor* in snap beans. Disease history and the succession of susceptible crops provide context for the importance of the soil reservoir in these legume systems.

Sclerotinia diseases

Lettuce • Pepper • Cucumber • Soybean

CON/M/91-08 • US WG label: reduction of soil inoculum of *S. sclerotiorum* and *S. minor*; a preventive soil role.

Sclerotinia diseases

Tomato • Common bean

CON/M/91-08 • Canada WG label: suppression of *Sclerotinia* disease; bean scope concerns snap beans.

6 Quality and compatibility

Strain identity

The CON/M/91-08 designation identifies the biological component throughout the technical record. Identity and traceability connect the material with its formulation description, batch history and corresponding quality documentation.

Biological activity

Biological activity characterises the living fungal component relevant to the interaction with Sclerotinia. Microbiological purity and formulation consistency describe additional quality attributes of the same material.

Granule integrity and stability

Granule quality describes the physical consistency of the formulation. Stability information records the maintenance of relevant physical and biological properties over product life, connecting the formulation description with its continuing quality.

Published uses relate to the specified strain, formulation and market. Product uses follow the applicable label.

7 Product questions

Does Scleriva target the soil reservoir behind Sclerotinia?

Yes. Its declared fungal identity, *Coniothyrium minitans* CON/M/91-08, is linked to *Sclerotinia sclerotia* in the cited records. This is a specific biological role rather than a broad claim against all soil-borne diseases.

Do the cited markets use identical efficacy wording?

No. The Canadian record uses suppression for the listed crop combinations. The United States record describes reduction/control in soil; the corresponding crop and market context remains part of each statement.

8 References and technical documents

Product specifications and application guidance are provided in the applicable technical data sheet and market label.

1. Canadian specimen label — CON/M/91-08 crop scope
2. United States specimen label — CON/M/91-08 soil claim
3. ANSES — *Coniothyrium minitans* CON/M/91-08: *Sclerotinia* soil uses

Product information and technical support

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